## REMARKS

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies and to better conform them to U.S. practice.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No. 501593, in the name of Borden Ladner Gervais LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

SOBOLEWSKI, Walter

/Gail C. Silver/

Ву:

GAIL C. SILVER Reg. No. 47945 Borden Ladner Gervais LLP World Exchange Plaza 100 Queen Street, Suite 1100 Ottawa, ON K1P 1J9 CANADA

Tel: (613) 237-5160 Fax: (613) 787-3558

E-mail: ipinfo@blgcanada.com

GCS/SFW/sew